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**"AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
MOTOR VEHICLES FOR ENFORCING PROPERTY TAX  
DELINQUENCIES AND CERTIFICATION OF TAX COLLECTORS."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a  
4 Geospatial Information Systems Council consisting of the following  
5 members, or their designees: (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy  
6 and Management; (2) the Commissioners of Environmental Protection,  
7 Economic and Community Development, Transportation, Public  
8 Safety, Public Health, Public Works, Agriculture, Emergency  
9 Management and Homeland Security and Social Services; (3) the Chief  
10 Information Officer of the Department of Information Technology; (4)  
11 the Chancellor of the Connecticut State University system; (5) the  
12 president of The University of Connecticut; (6) the Executive Director  
13 of the Connecticut Siting Council; (7) one member who is a user of  
14 geospatial information systems appointed by the president pro  
15 tempore of the Senate representing a municipality with a population of

16 more than sixty thousand; (8) one member who is a user of geospatial  
17 information systems appointed by the minority leader of the Senate  
18 representing a regional planning agency; (9) one member who is a user  
19 of geospatial information systems appointed by the Governor  
20 representing a municipality with a population of less than sixty  
21 thousand but more than thirty thousand; (10) one member who is a  
22 user of geospatial information systems appointed by the speaker of the  
23 House of Representatives representing a municipality with a  
24 population of less than thirty thousand; (11) one member appointed by  
25 the minority leader of the House of Representatives who is a user of  
26 geospatial information systems; (12) the chairperson of the Public  
27 Utility Control Authority; (13) the Adjutant General of the Military  
28 Department; and (14) any other persons the council deems necessary  
29 appointed by the council. The Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
30 Management, or a designee of the secretary, shall serve as chairperson  
31 and shall administer the affairs of the council. Vacancies shall be filled  
32 by appointment by the authority making the appointment. The council  
33 shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its  
34 members. The Governor shall fill any vacancy by appointment for the  
35 unexpired portion of the term vacated. Members shall receive no  
36 compensation for their services on said council, but shall be  
37 reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of  
38 their duties. Said council shall hold one meeting each month and such  
39 additional meetings as may be prescribed by council rules. In addition,  
40 special meetings may be called by the chairperson or by any three  
41 members upon delivery of forty-eight hours written notice to each  
42 member.

43 (b) The council, within available appropriations, shall coordinate a  
44 uniform geospatial information system capacity for municipalities,  
45 regional planning agencies, the state and others, as needed, which  
46 shall include provisions for (1) creation, maintenance and  
47 dissemination of geographic information or imagery that may be used  
48 to (A) precisely identify certain locations or areas, or (B) create maps or  
49 information profiles in graphic or electronic form about particular

50 locations or areas, and (2) promotion of a forum in which geospatial  
51 information may be centralized and distributed. In establishing such  
52 capacity, the council shall consult with state agencies, municipalities  
53 and other users of geospatial information system technology. The  
54 purpose of any such system shall be to provide guidance or assistance  
55 to state and municipal officials in the areas of emergency management,  
56 public health and safety, transportation, economic development, land  
57 use planning, environmental, cultural and natural resources  
58 management and the delivery of public services.

59 (c) The council may apply for federal grants and may accept and  
60 expend such grants on behalf of the state through the Office of Policy  
61 and Management.

62 (d) The council, within available appropriations, shall administer a  
63 program of technical assistance to regional planning agencies and  
64 municipalities to develop geospatial information systems and shall  
65 periodically recommend improvements to the geospatial information  
66 system provided for in subsection (b) of this section.

67 (e) On or before January 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the council  
68 shall submit, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, a  
69 report on activities under this section to the joint standing committee  
70 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
71 planning and development.

72 Sec. 502. (*Effective from passage*) On or before January 15, 2006, the  
73 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, in consultation with  
74 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Council on Soil  
75 and Water Conservation, regional planning agencies organized under  
76 the provisions of chapter 127 of the general statutes, regional councils  
77 of governments and regional councils of elected officials organized  
78 under the provisions of chapter 50 of the general statutes, the  
79 Agricultural Extension Services of The University of Connecticut, the  
80 Connecticut Chapter of the American Planning Association, the Center  
81 of Land Use Education and Research at The University of Connecticut

82 and the Rural Development Council, shall prepare a report on land use  
83 training and education available to members of local land uses  
84 agencies. Such report shall include a survey of existing programs and  
85 their utilization and recommendations, if any, for enhancements and  
86 additions to such programs including changes in state law."